

CALFRESH REQUEST FOR POLICY INTERPRETATION**PI# 18-46**

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 - 10 on the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. If additional space is needed, please use the second page. Retain a copy for your records and submit via email to CalFresh-PI@dss.ca.gov.

Please note: the policy interpretation provided is based on the unique set of facts presented and should not be assumed to apply in all scenarios.

1. RESPONSE NEEDED DUE TO:		5. DATE OF REQUEST:	NEED RESPONSE BY:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy/Regulation Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> QC <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		04/13/2018	
2. REQUESTOR NAME:		6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION:	
		Yolo County HHSA	
3. PHONE NO.:		7. SUBJECT:	
EMAIL:		CalFresh Applications during SAR 7 Period	
4. REGULATION CITE(S):		8. REFERENCES: (Include ACL/ACIN, court cases, etc. in references) NOTE: All requests must have a regulation cite(s) and/or a reference(s).	

9. QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):

If a CF case is in X or Y suspense, and the customer submits a new CF application prior to the extended filing date, what should be done in the following instances:

1. Customer is contacted, and then submits the need documentation for the SAR7 to be complete, and full benefits continue. Does the application get denied? If so for what reason? OR do we cancel the new application?
2. The customer does not submit the documents before the end of the extended filing date, but during the restoration period. Do we process the new application from the application date and start the application process? OR do we cancel or deny the application and if so, what is the reason?

10. REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:

1. If the customer submits an application while the case is still active (prior to the end of the month), the customer is not eligible as they are already active in the county.
2. If the customer submits an application during the restoration period, they should be contacted to clarify whether they want to restore their case by filling out or providing the needed documentation, or go through the application process. The customer should be notified that with the restoration they will only get a prorated amount of benefits from the day the paperwork is completed for the SAR.

11. STATE POLICY RESPONSE (CFPB USE ONLY):

1. Per Administrative Notice 10-09 dated January 4, 2010, if the household is determined to be eligible, any additional applications submitted after the date of the notice of eligibility must be denied under the provisions of 7 CFR 272.4(e), since the household is already participating in the program. Prior to denying additional applications, however, the State agency should review them to determine if household circumstances have changed.
2. Per All County letter 10-32, households under restoration are considered continuing cases. Therefore, the household will not be required to submit a new application, or participate in any application interview, and will retain their original certification period. If however, it would be more advantageous and convenient for the household to file a new application instead of being restored (e.g., the date of the household's recertification is approaching), the CWD will provide the option to the household. This option shall be provided to every restorable household. Therefore, CDSS agrees with the county's proposed response.

FOR CDSS USE

DATE RECEIVED:

April 17, 2018

DATE RESPONDED TO COUNTY/ALJ:

May 4, 2018 (WEB)